GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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DIVERSION OF PMRY FUNDS
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Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a): whether the Government is aware of the fact that funds earmarked for PMRY are being used for other purposes especially in tribal areas;

(b): if so, the details thereof; and

(c): the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c): Propoer utilization of the funds released under the Prime Minister`s Rozgar Yojana (PMRY) is ensured by laying down clear guidelines and norms for the use of these funds, linking of fund release to the `Utilisation Certificate` for the funds already released, back-ended disbursement of subsidy by banks, disbursement of loan by way of third party cheque to the supplier of goods rather than to the borrower directly, strict dealing of cases of misappropriation of funds, etc.